

NATIONAL INSTRUMENTS CORP /DE/  
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March 31, 2008

**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
**Washington, D.C. 20549**

**SCHEDULE 14A**

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**National Instruments Corporation**

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**NATIONAL INSTRUMENTS CORPORATION**

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*NATIONAL INSTRUMENTS CORPORATION*

*11500 N. MOPAC EXPRESSWAY*

*BUILDING B*

*AUSTIN, TX 78759*

**Meeting Location**

The Annual Meeting for stockholders as of 03/17/08

is to be held on 05/13/08 at 9:00 A.M. CDT

at: National Instruments Corporation  
11500 N. Mopac Expressway  
Building C  
Austin, TX 78759

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**FOR MEETING DIRECTIONS PLEASE CALL: 512-683-6912**

**Voting items**

**The Board of Directors recommends a**

**vote FOR each nominee.**

1. Election of Directors

**Nominees:**

- 01) Jeffrey L. Kodosky
- 02) Donald M. Carlton
- 03) John K. Medica